



ST. FAITH'S

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Lighting the Path... Together: We Learn, We Share, We Pray, We Care with Courage, Trust, Love and Hope

We started our week with collective worship on the importance of thinking for ourselves and standing up for ourselves. We focused on our school value of Courage with our symbol of the Hedgehog and talked about the need to follow kind and caring acts and not to be drawn into acts which are unkind. We emphasised our Golden Rules of Staying Safe and how we must Tell an Adult if we are worried about something or think that something is not quite right.



A different week for Year 6!

It has been a busy week for our Year 6 children who have been sitting their SATs tests for grammar and spelling, reading and maths. Mrs Hanson ran a special Year 6 breakfast club throughout the week. This gave the children a sociable and fun start to their day and an amazing amount of cereal and toast was consumed! I have been really impressed with every child in Year 6. They have all demonstrated a really positive attitude towards taking the tests and have really demonstrated the school values of Courage, Trust, Love and Hope. The children have had fun afternoons including games on the field. They are now looking forward to a number of trips in the next few weeks. Well done to all Year 6!

Eco committee make Homes for Bees

As part of our bio-diversity project for the Green Flag Award, the Eco Committee have created plans to attract bees to our vegetable and flower garden and Lockburn. They have planned to plant flowers to attract bees and Marigolds have been planted in the flower bed.



The committee also decided that they wanted to create a special habitat to attract bees. In response, the ever resourceful Mr Crump created a wooden structure in the style of St Cross and a circular framed structure which the Eco-committee filled with different sized bamboo sticks to attract the bees. The children glued it all together with the help of Mr Crump and Mrs Davies. The bespoke bee homes will be put up in the field and in Lockburn! The Eco committee will be planting more bee friendly plants in their next meeting.



As a school we are continuing to focus on keeping our grounds free from litter with children regularly carrying out litter picks.

Walk to School Week next week - No parking near school! Monday 20th to Friday 24th May

We want as many children as possible to walk, scooter or cycle to school next week. If you live too far away to walk please park further away and walk from there. All children who use sustainable travel to and from school during the week will receive a certificate. Our aim is for every child to walk, scooter or cycle some distance next week and for all to park away from the school!!



Year 1 visit Lockburn

Our environmental area, Lockburn, is looking amazing with all the Spring flowers and blossom. Year 1 thought that it had been snowing as white blossom was covering the ponds! The Year 1 children had a



maths lesson in the area and had to show different arrays with items from nature.

Dogs come to visit the Infants

The children in Oak and Silver Birch were very excited to meet Jess the Doberman and Charley the Cavapoo when they came to visit on



Wednesday with their owners

Mrs Jenks and Mrs Denny. The children learnt facts about the dogs and how to look after them and were also impressed with various tricks! The dogs were amazing!

Year 2 Write Cat Poems

The children in Year 2 have been thinking about the qualities and characteristics of cats and have written their own Cat poems using a range of similes. They have been very proud to come and show them to me and to read them out!

*My cat's eyes are like a sparkling moon.
My cat's fur is as soft as a feather.
My cat's whiskers are like sparkling wine.
My cat's tail is like a straw
My cat's claws are as sharp as a needle.*

By Harry Y2

*My cat's eyes are like shimmering emeralds in the sun.
My cat's whiskers are like a silver feather.
My cat's tail is like a polka-dot rope.
My cat's paws are like soft gloves.
My cat's fur is like the lines of a tiger.*

By Edward Y2

DT project in Willow and Maple

The children in Years 3,4 and 5 are all making Roman style catapults in Design and Technology this half term as part of their Roman topic.

Report by Ava, Elana and Agatha Y3



In our Roman topic we are making actual catapults! We had to measure the different pieces of wood to exactly the right cm. We learnt



the golden rule of measure twice and cut once! We learnt how to saw the wood with a hack saw and bench hook. We have to wear safety goggles to keep our eyes



safe. We had to make a groove in the wood and let the saw do all the work. We worked in pairs to make sure we use the saw safely. When we had cut all the pieces of wood we had to stick the wood together with glue into a

rectangle shape and then we had to stick on mitre corners to strengthen the joins. We are looking forward to making the catapults work! It is a really fun project because we like making things!



House Cup Winners of the week!

Congratulations to all of the children in **Fox House** for gaining the most achievement points for this week.

Workers of the Week

Well done to the following children who received certificates today: -

Oak: **India and Arthur**

Silver Birch: **Alice and Matilda**

Willow: **Bea and Zac**

Maple: **Edward and Leo**

Beech: **The whole of Year 6 for an excellent week!**



St Faith's Crosses

Madeline – for taking pride in her learning

Alexander – for learning at home

Jamie – for persevering with his learning

Violet – for a positive approach to her learning

Wilf – for a positive attitude and effort in his learning

Heidi – for always being a kind and gentle friend

Emily – for positive attitude in class and for showing courage

Wolfie – for helping and supporting others in class

James and Morgan – for helping to set the tables for Year 6 breakfast club!

Winchester Criterium & CycleFest 2019

Winchester Criterium and Cyclefest event is taking place on **Sunday 9th June 2019 from 10am – 4pm** in the Winchester high street and Abbey Gardens. We are pleased to support this cycle fest which is a free event. They are asking people to bring their bike to Winchester and join in fun cycling activities. You should all have received a card with information about the event.

May Half-term Holiday Club 28th-31st May

Marc is running the St Faith's Holiday club from the Tuesday to Friday during half term with all of the usual fun activities. Booking forms can be obtained from the office.



Message from St Cross

9.30am Parish Eucharist with Sunday Club for children. Children are especially welcome at the Parish Eucharist every Sunday at 9.30am. On the second Sunday of each month the whole service is designed to involve children and on other Sundays the Sunday Club leaves the service during the first hymn and returns during communion

Message from the St Faith's School Association

Summer Fair – Friday 14th June

Please let us know if you have anything to donate to the Fair or would like to help in any way. We are always looking for volunteers! **Camilla and Frankie**

Summer Term 2019

20th – 24th May – Walk to school week

21st May – Y6 Greek workshop at Winchester College

21st May - Y5 parents Beaulieu Information evening 6pm

22nd May - New Year R Parent Information evening

23rd May – Year 6 to St Cross Hospital

23rd May -Sex Ed Information evening 6pm Y5/6 parents

27th – 31st May – Half term

3rd June – Y3 Swimming lessons at Kings' start for 5 weeks

4th June – Drama workshops for KS2

6th June – Minstead Information evening 6pm Y3 parents

12th June – Sports Day 9.15am

14th June – SFSA School Fair

19th June – Infant trip to Marwell

19th June – Willow trip to Southampton Art Gallery

19th June – Year 6 Cathedral day

20th June – Year 6 Mayflower matinee

21st June – Maple trip to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

27th June – Year 6 Transition day to Kings'

5th July – Maple Class to Winchester Hat Fair

8th July – Year 6 to Calshot Activity Centre

11th July – Year 4 Brass concert for parents 1.30pm

11th July – Year 3 Recorder concert for parents 3pm

16th July – KS2 Production 2pm and 7pm

17th July – KS2 Production 7pm

18th July – Leavers' Service 9.10am

19th July – End of term 1.15pm

Inset days for 2018-2019

Monday 22nd July 2019

Tuesday 23rd July 2019

St Faith's Extended School Provision

May Half term Holiday Club – Tuesday 28th-31st May

Summer Holidays Clubs – 22nd -26th July and 12th -19th August

Let the office know if you wish to reserve a place on any of these Holiday clubs



Use of the school field out of school hours

The school field can be used by all families who have a child at the school. We have three official key holders who all live very close to the school: Mrs Wright, Mrs Bone and Mrs Shaw (details from the school office). Everyone who uses the field must complete the **Terms of agreement** which the key holders will provide. There **must always** be a responsible **adult** on the field. Please note that as part of our agreement with the local residents, the field cannot be used after 7 pm on week days or after 6pm on Saturdays and not on Sunday afternoons after 1pm.



Hiring of the school field for parties

We do hire out the field for a fee to families of children at the school for parties or picnics. Please book with the school office. Again **terms of agreement for hiring** the field must be followed. (When a booked party is in progress, the field cannot be used by others.)

Breakfast Club Years R-6 Every day that the school is open. Drop off from 7.30am Breakfast at 8am £4 per booked session and £5 on the day.

The Ark after school club Years R-6 Every day the school is open 3.30-5.45pm Monday – Thursday £12 per session or £15 on the day 3.30-5pm Friday £8 per session or £10 on the day.

Drinks bottles – names please!

We are very keen that the children have enough to drink through the school day and all children should have a bottle in school. Please could you ensure that all drinks bottles are small, see-through and **named**. You can purchase water bottles from the school office and replacement tops if you wish to.

Please could you also check that **jumpers and cardigans are also named** as children tend to take them off at this time of the year!